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- 1. EMBOFF TOOK ADVANTAGE OF CHANCE MEETING WITH JAL PRESIDENT ASADA FEBRUARY 28 TO REPEAT THEME THAT JAPAN HAS INTERESTS DISTINCT FROM THE BRITISH IN THE UPCOMING TALKS AND TO EXPRESS HOPE THAT JAPANESE SIDE WILL COME TO WASHINGTON SERIOUSLY PREPARED TO DISCUSS ISSUES OTHER THAN PREDETERMINATION, INCLUDING SAIPAN. EMBOFF INDICATED THAT IT MIGHT WELL BE POSSIBLE TO MAKE SOME PROGRESS IN OTHER AREAS WHERE MATTER OF PRINCIPLE BASIC TO OUR THINKING WAS NOT INVOLVED.
- 2. ASADA SPOKE BRIEFLY OF THE "NEW ORDER" THAT JAPAN AND BRITAIN HOPE TO ESTABLISH IN INTERNATIONAL AVIATION BUT LISTENED WITH INTEREST TO EMBOFF'S REMARKS. HE ALSO EXPRESSED SEEMINGLY SINCERE DESIRE TO REMAIN IN CLOSER TOUCH.
- 3. AS REPORTED REFTEL, JAPANESE SIDE IS NOW IN PROCESS OF FORMULATING POSITION FOR MARCH TALKS AND WE PLAN TO GET TOGETHER WITH CONCERNED MOFA OFFICIAL SLATER IN WEEK TO FIND WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY.

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